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## Half Million Pounds Sold Here In Three Days At Average Of 17 Cents

### Opening Day Sales Attended By Over 2,000 People; Williamston Market Shows One Of Highest Averages Made In North Carolina

#### Everybody Pleased With Sales Here; Business Picking Up

Averaging a fraction over 17 cents, the Williamston tobacco market sold 351,783 pounds of tobacco Wednesday and yesterday. The sales of yesterday were heavier than they were on opening day. There was such a large amount on opening day that a block resulted, and the increase of yesterday prevented its being cleared. While there have been two sales in two of the houses, there has been but one in each of the other two. The Roanoke will sell today that which was to have been sold yesterday.

The general attitude is very favorable for our market, and there have been thousands of satisfactory sales made with the smallest number of complaints ever known.

It was pretty work to see our warehousemen go down one row and up another, pushing every pile to its top notch. Not in many years have we seen so many visitors to our market, and to hear the comments was more than enough to make one smile. The auctioneers, buyers, and warehousemen set a steady pace, but were unable to answer the calls to all four warehouses Tuesday and yesterday.

Since Monday tobacco has literally flowed to the warehouses here. Night and day tobacco has been unloaded, but in spite of all the rush there has been very little congestion and waiting.

A sales manager has been appointed for the market and 260 piles an hour will be the minimum number sold. The buyers have stuck closely to the sales, bidding strong on every pile. The average has been a "peppy" nature, and in spite of the hot weather and perspiration everyone has done his part to make them successful.

Today's sales will bring the total number of pounds of tobacco sold on the local warehouse floors up to more than a half million pounds. Eight counties are represented on the local floors today, tobacco coming from as far as Chowan county.

While a block will be narrowly escaped today, it is thought by warehousemen that it will be possible to sell all four houses.

The average is still holding its own on this market, and an increase in sales is expected next week.

#### Reddicks Grove Baptist Church

Revival services which have been in progress for ten days closed Wednesday night. The baptismal service will be held at Daniel and Staton's mill at 4:30 Sunday afternoon and a fellowship service will be held at the church Sunday night at eight o'clock. The attendance was nearly double last year and many said the largest in the history of the church. The people were very kind to the pastor and family. In addition to meals in the homes of the people, they gave us fruits, melons, molasses, lard, two old hams and the free will offering was four times more than last year. To God be all honor, glory and praise.

R. L. SHIRLEY, pastor.

#### Strand Theatre

TONIGHT

POLA NEGRI

"EAST OF SUEZ"

TOMORROW

EPISODE NO. 3 of

"THE FIGHTING RANGER"

—A WESTERN and

A COMEDY



Wm. G. Bruce, Milwaukee publisher, is the Democratic nominee for Senator to fill the seat left vacant by the death of Sen. LaFollette.

#### CIRCUS TO SHOW HERE SEPT. 26TH

Arrangements Made Today for Appearance of Walter L. Main Shows

Arrangements were made today for the appearance of the Walter L. Main Shows in Williamston Saturday, September 26. The announcements of the coming of this famous tented organization, now in its 46th year, is attracting a great deal of interest among the lovers of the dear old "white tops."

"During the almost half a century the Walter L. Main Shows has been on the road," said L. C. Gillette, the general contracting agent, "it has grown and prospered until today the equipment and paraphernalia has set a standard by which many other organizations are patterned. Walter L. Main, early in his career as a showman, adopted a platform of honesty and square dealing with the public. This, together with a policy of decency and cleanliness has enabled him to reach the zenith in his field."

A special train of double-length railroad cars will bring the big show here. The paraphernalia and equipment represent an expenditure of more than three-quarters of a million dollars. There are upwards of 500 men and women and 200 horses with the show; almost ten acres of tents; a herd of elephants; a caravan of camels from the great desert. The menagerie will be fully up to the high standard of excellence maintained by Walter L. Main in other years. The performance this season will see scores of added European features and novelties. The champion riders, acrobats, aerialists, gymnasts and equilibrists of Continental Europe and America will be seen.

There will be two performances, at 2 and 8 p. m., the doors opening an hour earlier to permit a visit to the zoological collection or to enjoy a concert by the military band. An immense street parade will be seen on the down town streets at noon on show day.

#### Hamilton's Tent Show Here All Next Week

The Hamilton players will commence a week's run here next Monday night, September 7. These players are pleasantly remembered by many Williamston people who will be delighted at their return.

"Brother against Brother" is the play scheduled for Monday night, to which performance ladies are especially invited free of charge.

The shows each night will be of high class order and in addition to them there will be vaudeville specialties between each act.

Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Early have arrived in the city for the tobacco season. They are at home with Mr. and Mrs. F. U. Barnes.

#### STORMS WRECK BIG DIRIGIBLE

Was En Route to the West Coast When it Encountered Storms in Ohio and W. Virginia

Fourteen were killed when the United States' only airship, the Shenandoah was smashed by a storm.

The great ship, about 650 feet long, left her mooring at Hazelhurst, N. J., en route to the west coast when it encountered local storms in the panhandle of West Virginia and Eastern Ohio.

After attempting to dodge and weather the gales for some time, the great ship finally yielded to the higher powers of the storm and was snatched in three pieces about two miles from the little town of Ava in Ohio.

The control part of the ship fell fifty feet away while another section drifted 12 miles away.

Other deaths may be reported later as some of the passengers have not been accounted for. Most of those who were killed were army officers.

#### Bear Grass Local And Personal News

Mrs. Bettie Whichard is spending this week with Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Bailey.

Mrs. J. Rodgers and daughter returned to their home in Richmond Tuesday. They have been spending some time here with relatives.

Miss Louise Rodgers has returned home from summer school.

Miss Myrtle Beacham spent the week end with Miss Mintie Bailey.

Mr. LeRoy Ausson and Miss Mary Bailey motored to Everetts Saturday night.

Mr. A. W. Bailey attended the union services near Rocky Mount Sunday.

Mr. Walter Jackson was the guest of Miss Fannie Cowing Saturday.

Miss Mammie Mizell returned to her home in Tarboro Saturday, after spending some time here with friends and relatives.

Miss Mary Pritchard spent the week end with Miss Louise Rodgers.

Messrs. Tom, Ophius and Lester Bailey and Herman Rodgers motored to Highland Saturday night.

Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Bailey and children were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. William Coltrain, of Hardison Mills, Sunday.

Messrs. G. W. Bailey and son, Melvin and Jim, and Mr. Henry Bailey and Gilbert Rawls motored to Rocky Mount Tuesday.

Mr. James E. Carrow, of New York, was visiting friends in Bear Grass Wednesday.

#### Sandy Ridge Local And Personal News

Mrs. Mamie Williams, Mr. and Mrs. Delbert Williams, of Roanoke Rapids, N. C., are visiting relatives in this neighborhood.

Messrs. Irving Coltrain and Neal Godard motored to Rocky Mount on Monday.

Mr. Ass Griffin and son, Tillman, of Edenton, visited S. J. Parrisher on Tuesday night.

Mr. Richard Cullipher was the guest of Miss Earl Hall Tuesday.

Messrs. Martin Cherry and George Hardison motored to Plymouth Tuesday on business.

Mr. John Hopkins was the guest of Miss Corallie Peed Tuesday.

Mr. W. B. Rook, of Roanoke Rapids is visiting Miss Louise Godard this week.

Miss Lettie Roberson spent Wednesday with Miss Earl Hall.

Mr. George Hardison was the guest of Miss Louise Godard Sunday.

Mr. John N. Hopkins had a family reunion Sunday. Everybody reported a fine time and a good dinner.

Everybody is cordially invited to attend services at Reddicks Grove Sunday night.

Mr. Kader Godard, of Rocky Mount, spent the week end with relatives.

Messrs. James Russell Cherry and Ophius Price, of Bear Grass, attended services at Reddicks Grove Wednesday night.

Messrs. R. G., H. J. and E. M. Penn of Danville were visitors here Thursday. The Messrs. Penn are all brothers.

#### CAPTURE STILLIN POPLAR POINT

Officers Also Find Hog Dead Drunk on Beer; Operators of Still Unknown

Deputies Luther Peel, J. Raleigh Manning, and Harry Martin were called to Poplar Point Township Wednesday to destroy a still. When the officers were passing along in the section where the still was supposed to be they came across a dead hog, but pursued their course until they found two barrels of beer almost ready for the kettle, but saw no still near.

After pouring out the beer they returned and again saw the supposed dead hog. They then found that the hog was not dead but was beastly drunk, too drunk to stand or even grunt. The officers out of pity took the hog—real hog—to a branch and soaked it in cold water for a few minutes, when some little signs of recovery were seen, and they laid it down to sleep off the drunk.

A further search of woods brought the officers to a 75-gallon copper still, complete and ready to run, and a barrel of beer sitting near. The hog had climbed on a log by the side of the beer and peked his snout in and drunk to its fill—and there are others who would have done the same.

The still and all equipment were destroyed.

#### MUCH PRAISE FOR BROWN-DYER SHOW

The following article from the Warren, Ohio News will be of much interest to the people of this section since it relates to a feature that will be at the Roanoke Fair here November 3 to 6.

Several thousand people were attracted to the Yeagle show grounds Monday night for the opening of the carnival conducted by the Veterans of Foreign Wars who present the Brown and Dyer shows, one of the largest carnival outfits on the road today.

The days of the obscure dances in these kind of shows are gone. Brown and Dyer, along with other carnivals, are allied with the showmen's legislative committee, an organization that sponsors nothing but the cleanest kind of amusement and Warren people need not hesitate to take their families to the show grounds during the week.

The carnival presents a very pretty sight at night with its brilliant illumination.

One of the big shows is the Wild West aggregation of cowboys and trick riders. This evening at 7:30 a horse owned by L. D. Foster, living near Warren, and said to be unridable will be taken into the ring and the wild west riders agree to forfeit \$50 if they cannot mount and ride the Foster horse.

Another show exhibits Mme. Zenda, the midget from Scotland, and her five-year-old son. Mme. Zenda is 33 inches tall and weighs 45 pounds.

The largest python in captivity is exhibited in another tent. It is 83 feet long and three feet through.

For real downright daredevil riding the exhibition in the auto dome cannot be surpassed. Speedy Bauers and Miss Hazel Russell fairly make your hair stand at the stunts they pull off while circling the dome at terrific speed.

There is a most enjoyable minstrel show and a very pleasing dancing and singing exhibition.

In the jungleground will be found a number of rare specimens secured from the famous Hagenbeck animal show of Germany. One rare specimen is the lion eating baboon. Here will also be found one of the pets of the show—an eleven-months old monkey. Despite his youth he has already assumed many of the traits of human beings. He wears a baby ring, is very fond of candy and sweet meats and when seen at the opening of the show, was devouring a box of strawberries.

Other attractions on the grounds are: The Battle Fields of France, Roy, the Oesfield Man, Merry-go-round, ferris wheel, aerial swings, the whip, and the caterpillar.

Of course there are the usual number of concessions which were doing a big business on the opening night.

The Brown and Dyer shows are far above the average of carnival companies. All the attendants are courteous and most obliging and there is not an objectionable feature on the entire grounds. The show employs about 250 people and travels in twenty cars.

Manager H. M. Poe is on the job again this year, and this show will be another credit to his efforts.

Mr. J. H. Calloway of Washington was here Wednesday.

#### SLAYER OF DOCTOR DRAWS 30 YEARS

Frank Frizelle Who Shot and Killed Dr. Herbert Moseley Was Sentenced Today

Greenville, Sept. 3.—The trial of the negro, Frank Frizelle, who shot and killed Dr. Herbert P. Moseley of Farmville on the night of August 20, was concluded here this morning Judge Dunn presiding.

The prisoner, who was brought here from the Raleigh State penitentiary sat with unconcern during the trial manifesting not the slightest interest in the proceedings. Mrs. Moseley the widow of the slain man, who was an eye witness to the killing remained in court during most of the time. After hearing all the evidence this forenoon by agreement with counsel for the state and defense, the charge was changed to second degree murder and the negro sentenced to 30 years in the State penitentiary. He was taken to Raleigh this afternoon where he will begin to serve his sentence.

#### Mrs. Hannah Daniel, Of Griffins, Dead

Hannah Daniel, of Griffins Township passed away Monday night after an illness of several years from cancer of the face.

Her suffering had been intense, yet she seldom complained, even when the fearful disease was raging and sapping her life most.

Mrs. Daniel was 75 years old and was the daughter of James and Polly Hardison. She married W. H. Daniel in 1874, who died just 10 months before she did, after they had lived together for more than 50 years.

She leaves six children, N. T., W. D., and N. R. Daniel, Miss Mary A. Daniel, Mrs. W. G. Hardison, and Mrs. Jos. M. Hardison, who during her long illness rendered every attention possible to her need and comfort.

She was buried in the Daniel graveyard on the farm. The funeral was conducted by Elder W. B. Harrington, assisted by A. J. Manning.

#### Mrs. Courtney Ayers Dies Suddenly Tuesday

Mrs. Courtney Ayers, widow of the late John H. Ayers, of Bear Grass, died suddenly at her home Tuesday evening. She had not been very well for several days, yet was not sick enough to cause any alarm or to cause any apprehension of seriousness.

Mrs. Ayers leaves six children; five sons, Calvin, A. B., and M. D. Ayers, of Williamston, J. S. Ayers, of Everetts, Louis Ayers of Bethel; and one daughter, Mrs. C. E. Jenkins, of Williamston. She also leaves one brother, Elder J. N. Rogerson, of Bear Grass.

She was buried Wednesday afternoon at the Rogerson-burying ground, near Bear Grass church.

Elder B. S. Cowing conducted the funeral services.

#### Four Negro Boys Drown In Tar River Sunday

Four negro boys were drowned in Tar River two and a half miles above Tarboro Monday evening.

The boys, between 12 and 14 years old, were swimming or wading in the river on a sand bar when Ernest Dancy stepped in a deep hole. Savola Spain attempted to save him but went down himself. Theodore Stancill and Leamon Worsley in attempt to get save the other two boys also went down, all the boys drowning together. All the bodies were recovered and much sadness hovered over their people, and the deep sympathy of both white and colored who knew them and their folks goes out to them.

#### Get-Acquainted Meet Here Next Tuesday

Next Tuesday, the business men of Williamston will receive the business men of Rocky Mount for a 30 minutes get-acquainted meeting.

The guests will arrive at 11:50 and will be here only 30 minutes. During that time Mr. N. Y. Chambliss of the Planters National Bank will make a short address to our business men.

The meeting has not been definitely arranged, but unless further notice is made the meeting will be held in the law offices of Messrs. Dunning and Moore on Main street.

Every business man in our town is cordially invited to attend the meeting to her Mr. Chambliss and to get acquainted with the merchants of other towns.

#### Swims "U. S. Channel"



Lillian Cannon of Baltimore, starting from Washington, swam Chesapeake Bay—24 miles in 11 hours, combatting strong winds and tide. George Lake started with her but was forced to give up. Lillian is the first woman to swim the bay.

#### MAY MAKE ROUTE 30 FEDERAL ROAD

Designation of Tourist Highway as Military Defense Road Quite Probable

According to a report from the boosters of Route 30 in New Bern, Chairman Cutler of the Craven County Board of commissioners has been advised from Washington, D. C., that Route 30 will be probably designated a Federal highway. The new Bernian says:

"Mr. Cutler was in receipt of advice from Washington that officials charged with the authority to make such designations were favorable to the request, and it is believed here that when the matter is finally acted upon, it will result in the designation of Route 30—through one of the finest sections of Eastern Carolina—as a federal coastal highway."

Route 30 on account of its close proximity to the seacoast and inland ports has been recommended to the war department as a defense highway by the engineers of the war department.—Washington Daily News.

#### Revival Meeting at Hassells a Success

Rev. J. R. Tingle, of Ayden, held a revival in the Hassell Christian church, of which he is pastor, beginning August 28th, and lasting through the fifth Sunday. In preparation for the meeting new and commodious pews had been purchased by the church membership.

The pastor reports fine congregations, good order, and the best of attention all during the meeting. Six confessed and were baptized.

At the close of the meeting the pastor was called for a new year.

#### District Convention at Hassells Last Week

The Roanoke District Convention met with the Hassells church Saturday and Sunday last. For the business session Saturday a large number of delegates was present.

On Saturday a representative delegation from practically every church in the District was present, the total number being estimated at 2,000. Dinner was served to the entire crowd by the hospitable people of Hassells and surrounding community.

#### Program of Services Baptist Church Sunday

Sunday school, 9:45 a. m. Morning service, 11 a. m. Evening service, 8:00 p. m.

Mr. R. E. Sentelle, of Tarboro, will conduct both morning and evening church services. Every one is cordially invited.

#### Methodist Church Services Sunday

Services at Methodist Church September 6th, both morning and evening. Please let every member make a special effort to be present at both services. Morning service at 11 a. m. Evening service at 7:30 p. m.

#### ROBERT O'MARY SHOOTS HIMSELF

Fires Load Into Arm Near Shoulder; Rushed to Washington Hospital Where Arm was Amputated

Robert O'Mary shot himself at an early hour this morning on the V. R. Taylor farm near here.

O'Mary held the gun under his left arm and fired it, the load entering the underside of the arm about 6 inches below his shoulder; tearing through the bone, the load came out at the top of the arm.

Dr. W. E. Warren was immediately called and furnished temporary treatment, and sent the patient to the Washington hospital where the arm was amputated three inches from the shoulder.

At this time, he is doing well and is expected to recover.

No cause for such a rash act is known, except he was drinking heavily.

He was in front of the home of a colored tenant who lived on the same farm. He called the negro, telling him to look, he was going to do something.

#### Labor Day Not to be Observed Here

Next Monday, Labor Day, business will go on as usual, the day having no consequence other than a regular seasonal business day.

The day is observed in many places but is not in small towns.

The post office department will observe the day, however.

#### Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Corey Moving to Williamston

Mr. and Mrs. Joe G. Corey, of the Hardison Mill section, are moving here today. They will do light house-keeping in the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Liverman. Mrs. Corey was formerly Miss Estelle Coltraine, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Coltrain. Mr. Corey will be a salesman for the Williamston Motor Co.

#### Services at Episcopal Church Next Sunday

Following is the program of services at the Church of the Advent for Sunday, September 6:

9:45 a. m.—Sunday school.

10:00 a. m.—Advent Bible class.

11:00 a. m.—Holy Communion and sermon.

3:30 p. m.—Holy Trinity mission.

7:30 p. m.—Evening prayer and sermon.

#### Hamilton School To Open Monday, 14th

It was announced in a recent issue of this paper that the Hamilton schools would open on September 7. There was an error in the list and the correct opening date of the Hamilton schools will be Monday, September 14.

#### Many Callers To Our Office Today

Among the pleasant callers to our office are: Messrs. Ira Harrison, Whit Moore, Buck E. Rogerson, John R. Rogerson, R. L. Stallings, Benjamin Courtney, Charlie Powell, J. C. Cobb, Mrs. A. G. Harrison, D. O. Bowen, W. D. Daniel, A. E. Manning, S. L. Ellis, Mrs. E. C. Stone, S. E. Manning, W. D. Manning, C. B. Fagan, Miss Ethel Lilley, J. L. Clark.

#### Fiddlers Convention At Everetts Success

The fiddlers' convention at Everetts proved a success last night when over 500 people attended.

A general good time was had and there was some playing going on from the beginning to the end.

The convention was held in the school auditorium.

#### To Preach at Baptist Church Tonight at 8

Rev. Richard Bagby of Washington will preach at the Baptist church tonight at 8 o'clock.

He comes upon the invitation of the Christian federation. The people are cordially invited and urged to attend the meeting and to hear Rev. Mr. Bagby.

Miss Willie Skinner of Greenville is in the city where she has a secretarial position in the office of her father's re-dyeing plant, The W. I. Skinner Tobacco company.